

# The Observer

THINGS INTERESTING TO THE DEAF

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## United We Stand, Divided We Fall.

(Motto of the author's home state—Kentucky.)

From the north, from the south, from  
the east, from the west,  
Come the clans of Beethoven, arrayed  
in their best,  
While each pibroch and war drum that  
call to the fray  
Lend a martial aspect to the silent ar-  
ray.  
As with wide winging warmth each  
bold chieftain proclaims  
From some viewpoint of vantage his  
plans and his aims,  
Pray the God-given truth may seep into  
us all,  
That United we Stand but Divided we  
Fall.

When our bold Lochinvar thunders in  
from the west  
And the kingmaker meets him with  
lance laid at rest,  
When a lowering cloud that spells ruin  
and wrack  
Pours its floodgates of venom on  
Reggy's broad back,  
When the loth and the vandal, the pa-  
gan, the priest,  
Have been sated with strife let them  
flock to the feast,  
Let the God-given genius gush into us  
all  
That United we Stand, but Divided we  
Fall.

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER.

## THE MAN WHO HELPS HIS FELLOW MEN.

Editor Observer:

"You ought to have endorsed Mr. Axling for president of the N. A. D., as he is your friend." The above is taken from a letter sent me from one of the Spokane people.

Mr. Axling might be my friend for all I know, but I do not recollect one thing he has done me nor anybody else. Suppose I were in trouble and were to ask Axling and Hanson for help. Mr. Hanson would be the first man that would do as a friend would do.

Mr. Hanson has done more good for the deaf people in Washington than any one else. Now, don't you think you would want a man that is the deaf people's friend to be president of the N. A. D.? Certainly you do!

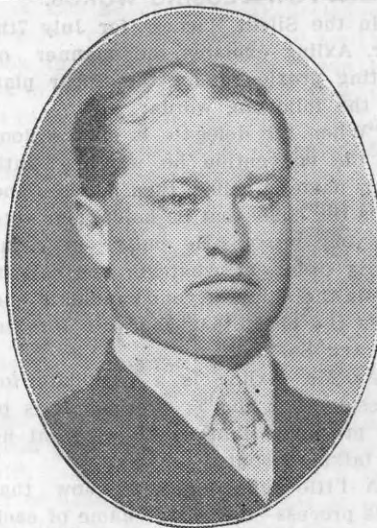
Cast your votes for Hanson, the deaf people's friend, and you will never regret it.

GILMAN T. NORDHOUGEN,  
Bottineau, N. D.

If you gits dar  
Afore we's do  
Just tell 'em  
We's a-cummin, too.

Hostile hosts harmonizing honestly.  
Afflicted allies amiably aiding.  
Narrow nobodys needlessly nettled.  
Sagacious solon suppressing sedition.  
Openly opposing obsolete opinions.  
Noble notions naively nourishing.

Of course, there are other papers,  
but they are not The Observer.



J. SCHUYLER LONG.

J. Schuyler Long is head teacher of the Iowa School for the Deaf. He is also editor of the school paper, The Hawkeye, and between whiles has by dint of hard work and indomitable energy produced two books, "Out of the Silence" and "A Manual of the Sign Language."

Mr. Long became deaf at the age of twelve through cerebro-spinal meningitis, after which he attended the school for the deaf at Council Bluffs, Iowa, from which he graduated in three years. He then entered Gallaudet College, which he left with the B. A. degree, and later acquired the M. A. degree by his devotion to literature while teaching in the Delavan Wis., school for the deaf. Early in his career as a young teacher in Wisconsin he was married to Miss E. Florence Black, a graduate of the Indiana school, whom he met while at Gallaudet College.

Mr. Long bids fair to have the unanimous support of the deaf for Treasurer of the N. A. D.

## SILENT OPERATOR CONCERNING HIS ARCHITECT FRIEND.

Editor: I beg of you to accommodate me with a little space in your paper so that I can reply to several inquiries received from some Eastern friends regarding Olof Hanson's qualities and fitness for president of the national association. I will say that I have known Mr. Hanson about eight years and found he possesses the "goods" for any responsible position, and one of the most gentlemanly mutes I have ever met in my travels. He is well educated, of pleasant countenance and address, well liked by his townspeople.

By all means, vote for him!

CHAS. A. GUMAER.  
Seattle, Wash.

## THE SITUATION

By A. L. R.

After more than twenty years of lethargic existence, the National Association of the Deaf has been able to exert only insignificant influence for the betterment of the condition of the deaf. A few years ago we suddenly awoke to the power of concerted action. Led by a militant and resourceful man in the person of President Veditz we battered down the gates of opposition and won a fight that has become historic.

There, my readers, in this awakening lies the secret of our salvation as a class. Concerted action, led by men who are free and untrammelled, whose vocations will not conflict with the discharge of their duty to the association and to every deaf person in the land. The advocates of the pure oral method are the opponents we must meet on an equal footing as concerns unity and financial backing.

Our officers elected at Colorado Springs will necessarily deal with questions of moment. They must be men who are free to act as policy dictates. Teachers are not free. They are under the dominance of superintendents. The experience of many teachers in the utterance of convictions regarding methods of education serves to convince us that a teacher in the president's chair during the next decade or two would soon find himself obliged to resign his office, or to run counter to the expressed wishes of the association. Moreover, a deaf teacher who denounces pure oralism is belittled by the oralists and charged with selfish and unworthy motives.

And the same holds true with deaf clergymen. A word from the Volta Bureau to his bishop, and the clergyman who has been shouting from the housetops and doing valiant things, becomes limp as a net rag and silent as the corpses he helps put under the sod.

You who doubt the power of the "system," otherwise the endowed educational syndicate headed by the Volta Bureau, are blind. Witness the revelation made by President Veditz regarding the refusal of his solicited article on the education of the deaf for the "Delineator." The deaf are helpless. They cannot raise a cry in their own behalf. They are accused of unworthy motives, and are not allowed to reply. They are exploited by people who do not understand them. They are dubbed "poor unfortunates," who

must be "restored," etc., and they can do nothing. They do not know what is good for them; they have no desires, no feelings, no right to demand anything whatsoever.

What a spectacle!

Throw out the politicians and the trouble-makers in the association; unite for concerted action; elect men who will carry out our desires and raise the N. A. D. to power and influence.

We must have money. Elect men who can devise ways and means to get it.

We must have men of ability and experience in office. Scan the records of candidates now before the deaf.

Hanson and Regensburg have done signal service in the cause of the deaf. They are free and untrammelled. They are not novices in the business world. Both have spent practically all their lives in contact with the hearing public. Their business has been out in the world, not in the cloister. Ripe experience, resourcefulness, unquestioned integrity, both possess, and the deaf of America will make no mistake in electing them to the offices of President and Secretary.

Objections have been raised that both Hanson and Regensburg are from the same section of the country, and that the offices should be more evenly distributed. The fallacy of this is apparent, for Seattle and Los Angeles are as far apart as Seattle and Chicago. The trip between Los Angeles and Seattle consumes four days, that between Seattle and Chicago three. Los Angeles is only 175 miles from the Mexican border and Seattle about the same distance from the Canadian line. Both sections represented by Seattle and Los Angeles are well populated by intelligent and progressive deaf people. They both deserve recognition as much as any other part of the country.

But there should be no boundary lines considered in the selection of officers. Regensburg is the man who is eminently fitted for secretary, personally and in the present crisis of the association's affairs.

Howard, of Minnesota, who is somewhat given to dealing in personalities, and inclined to go off at half-cock, in a recent article in the "Success" attempted to ridicule Regensburg and his candidacy, but he dealt only in personalities, confined chiefly to the candidate's personal appearance. We are inclined to think that if it were a campaign involving a question of pulchritude, Regensburg would lay it all over the Minnesotan as the Apollo of the two. However, a man who sinks to the level of publishing such an article as the one referred to is unworthy of notice and publicly proclaims his mental poverty.

Regensburg has stood for a clean campaign, and voters at Colorado Springs will know that he will stand for a clean administration of the secretary's office.

#### A FEW CLOSING WORDS.

In the Silent Success for July 7th, Mr. Axling explains the manner of voting proxies under the Spear plan in the following words:

"When the delegate is on the floor of the convention he watches until your name is called, then he rises and tells the chair that he holds your vote as your proxy. He pulls out your proxy order, or whatever you call it, reads the name of your candidate and tells the chair that you vote for Mr. So and So."

As Mr. Axling is a candidate for president on the Spear plan, it is to be presumed that he knows what he is talking about.

A little reflection will show that this process—to call the name of each individual member, have the proxy rise, pull out his proxy order, and record the vote—will require at the very least one minute. At this rate it would require an hour to record 60 votes; and if it is kept up for 10 hours, only 600 votes could be recorded in one day; and to record 5,000 votes—the number that has been claimed under the Spear plan—would take eight days.

That is, it would require 8 days to take one ballot under the Spear plan as explained by Mr. Axling!

How long would it take to elect all the officers and directors at this rate?

There are some good points in the Spear plan, and I am perfectly willing to accept all that is good in his or any other plan. But there are several impracticable features in his plan which I can not and will not stand for. The above is only one case in point.

Unlike others, I have not tried to write a new constitution or to embody my plan in set laws. On the contrary, I have stated that all that is necessary is to make certain changes in the Constitution and By-Laws, and authorize the officers to attend to details.

What the Association should do and what I believe it will do at Colorado Springs is to enact such laws as meet with general approval; elect officers in whom the Association has confidence, and authorize them to make such rules and carry out the details in such manner as will in their judgment best promote the interests and welfare of the Association.

OLOF HANSON.

#### STUDY THE PROGRAM.

Study the convention program and make good use of your opportunity, while in the shadow of Pike's Peak.

#### THEY ALL ADMIT HE IS FREE AND INDEPENDENT.

President Veditz does not like the Hanson plan, we have been informed by different persons. He wants certain ideas put into it, but the Seattle gentleman would not hearken.—P. L. Axling, in Silent Success.

Thank you! Thank you very much for this endorsement of Mr. Hanson's worth! We have said all along that Mr. Hanson was free and independent and would be nobody's tool or puppy. We are glad to have you endorse our sentiments.

Mr. Spear found he could not make Mr. Hanson follow him, so told him to go home. Mr. Veditz is not looking for a puppy (dogs are too cheap), he wants a MAN, who can do his own thinking and acting. He knows Mr. Hanson has a record for things done that merits the confidence of the American deaf. He is therefore giving Mr. Hanson his support, even though he cannot endorse all that Seattle gentleman does.

#### MR. ARNOT EXPLAINS.

I have taken a good deal of interest in the National Association of the Deaf, also in the Hanson and Spear plans, and the candidacy of Messrs. Hanson and Axling.

I wrote the article in The Silent Worker last October about the Washington State Convention, but I d'd not write the sketch about Mr. Axling which was annexed thereto, so he evidently did it himself. The Silent Success of April 28th copied this and added a paragraph, which I d'd not write. I think Mr. Cloud wrote it himself. I was not well enough acquainted to give any such opinion of Mr. Axling. I am agent of the Silent Worker, and last fall Mr. Axling promised to pay me for a year's subscription, but he has not yet done so.

I never suggested Mr. Axling for president of the N. A. D. On Saturday evening, April 2, Spokane association held a regular business meeting with only eight members present (the society has about 30 members). Mr. J. H. O'Leary introduced a resolution favoring the Spear plan and indorsing Mr. Axling for president. I do not think that the resolution was passed. It was not seconded. Mr. O'Leary sent the resolutions throughout the country without regard to the wishes of the other members who happened not to be present.

I attended the Washington State Association a year ago. I know Mr. Axling pledged his support of Mr. Hanson and that he drew up the resolutions in support of Mr. Hanson, which were unanimously passed. Mr. Axling was allowed to be elected state president without opposition in the interest of harmony.



I see no reason for Mr. Axling to refuse to live up to his pledge to Mr. Hanson. I think his action wrong and dishonorable in coming out as a candidate for President of the N. A. D. in view of his pledges.

I am sorry Mr. Axling saw fit to take this action.

Five members of the Spokane association are giving enthusiastic support to Mr. Hanson for President of the N. A. D.

A. E. ARNOT.

#### MOVING PICTURE FUND.

It is over \$3,000, or I have made a bad guess. I would not be surprised if it was \$3,500 at this moment. I hold close to \$1,500 in my hands. Verily, the work is progressing as satisfactorily as could be desired. Louisiana is in the van, having sent in \$206.66. California follows behind with \$164.69, and Oregon third with \$129.65. One state typifies the far South and the other two the far West. Arkansas since last report sent in \$76.76, the work of ten collectors out of fifty appointed. Figure out what the other forty will bring at the same ratio. Mississippi was the last state to take up the cudgel, and the quickest to show returns, one month's work yielding \$46.25. From the Land of the Blizzards, North Dakota, we were agreeably surprised to receive \$90.94, representing the work of only two collectors. One of these was about to quit after collecting \$14, when her eyes were attracted to the prizes that are being offered as published in The Observer, and promptly went to work again and made it over \$50, with the expectancy of capturing a prize. Among the other states that have sent in cash since last report are New Jersey, with \$35.50, which is doing some for a state that could be swallowed up in one of our counties in California; Connecticut, with \$3.05, and Minnesota, with \$11.24. The Kingmaker writing: "We are still too busy. \* \* \* You'll be buried all right." We hope the avalanche referred to means gold coin from Banker Howard's domain. It will take a heap to bury me.

From outside, we glean that the Nebraska Treasurer has a hundred, Utah, the land of the Mormons, \$25; Washington, \$175; Kansas, \$125; Colorado, \$100; Georgia, 25; Massachusetts, 100; Oklahoma—it's treasurer is sawing wood and saying nothing, which means she may have something like \$300; New York—well, Treasurer Pach likes to spring surprises, so he hasn't told, but one of his district treasurers, Mrs. Maxwell, reports nearly \$200, which proves her interest in the work. Ohio has about \$75, and it would have been ten times this were not the state already pumped dry by the Home interests that required help. The same opposing condition exists in Pennsyl-

vania, yet one young man hopes to collect \$250 in order to win a free trip to Colorado Springs. Treasurer Phelps of the "Show Me" state says a pupil collected \$25 and wants to make it \$225 to win a free trip offer. Mrs. Ward of Los Angeles alone collected so far \$175. Other collectors had better look to their laurels. Mr. Dean desires to correct a statement of mine in last report. "I wish," he writes, "to correct a wrong impression to the effect that it was San Francisco in conjunction with Oakland and Berkeley that contributed only \$1. It was San Francisco alone that gave the amount, and I think she did the best she could. Berkeley, through Mr. D'Estrella, gave \$13.60."

Treasurer Wyand, of Massachusetts, writes: "Mr. Ayers of Boston sends a check for \$25, which places the gentleman upon the Roll of Honor. We notice with pleasure the addition of a number of names, all good friends of the deaf, John B. Wight, Principal Currier, Father Baker and Sister Dositheus. Who's next? Won't you please, my friend, be one of the 100 volunteers to donate \$5 or more? Send it to Editor Hodgson, Station M, New York city.

#### Roll of Honor.

G. W. Veditz, Colorado.....	\$ 5.00
Mrs. G. W. Veditz, Colorado.....	5.00
John L. DeLoatch, No. Carolina....	5.00
Amiel Fryhofer, Kansas.....	5.00
John B. Wight, New Jersey.....	5.00
Enoch Henry Currier, Principal N. Y. Institution for the Deaf.....	5.00
Sister Dositheus, Buffalo.....	5.00
Rev. Father Baker, Buffalo.....	5.00
Mr. Ayers, Boston.....	25.00
Alabama ..	7.65
Arkansas ..	89.91
California ..	164.69
Colorado ..	78.45
Connecticut ..	27.97
Florida ..	4.35
Iowa ..	27.85
Kansas ..	81.70
Louisiana ..	206.55
Michigan ..	25.00
Minnesota ..	35.97
Mississippi ..	46.25
Missouri ..	6.70
New Jersey ..	35.00
New Mexico ..	8.10
No. Carolina ..	5.00
No. Dakota ..	90.94
Oklahoma ..	100.00
Oregon ..	129.65
Pennsylvania ..	30.00
So. Dakota ..	74.20
Tennessee ..	.10
Texas ..	13.20
Virginia ..	.10
Washington ..	100.00
Interest ..	3.03

\$1,392.86

OSCAR H. REGENSBURG,

National Treasurer.

Venice-by-the-Sea, California.

#### HANSON DESERTED AGAIN!

Editor Observer:

Below I give my reasons for deserting Hanson and his plan and flopping into the Spear-Axling-Cloud band wagon.

I am against Hanson because he is an honest Christian, because he is of faultless morals and unceasing in his efforts to uplift such of the deaf as come within his personal scope.

I am against Hanson because of his toil and trouble in the civil service matter, when he secured for the deaf equal opportunities for government service even as we pay equal taxes. I am down on him for his progress and push, for his superior executive ability and his cool, judicial comprehension. He makes such men as Spear, Vinson and pretty Phil Axling look like bricks or Neapolitan ice cream in the stoke hole of an ocean liner.

I am opposed to Hanson because, when elected, he will achieve results, reflect credit on our race and restore harmony between the warring tongs. I want an executive who will act like a weasel in Veditz's hennery, one that can be depended on to hopelessly embroil the various deaf organizations, inaugurate an era of hate and vituperation and end by wrecking the N. A. D. on the rocks of shortsightedness and folly.

I am against Hanson because he believes in an honest count of an honest poll, because he won't buy votes nor throw around indiscriminate promises of official patronage and political plums. I am irrevocably opposed to him because he won't consent to my using him and his office to further my own ends; because he even has the audacity to assure me I won't skip over to Canada with the moving picture fund if he can help it! I have no use for such a man!

Will I vote for Hanson, Regensburg and honest harmony? Naw.

Yours truly,

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER,

Hanson Deserter No. 7.

Bellevue, Ky.

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All copy for next issue should reach us by Saturday evening, July 30th or early Monday morning. Sooner if possible.

The rest of the fight must be completed at Colorado Springs.

Looks as if J. S. Long's string of figures at Colorado would be the longest.

Spend your money, if you must, at Colorado Springs, but keep your temper.

The number of new subscribers that are coming in from a distance is certainly encouraging.

Whether or not Olof Hansen is elected at Colorado Springs, we know he has stooped to no dishonorable methods to win the honor.

Hunt up the Observer man at Colorado Springs and hand him as many dollars as you have friends who should receive our paper.

The Southern Optimist is printing a serial sketch of a summer trip by a Southern professor. The part in the issue of July 1 relates to Seattle and vicinity and is a very true description.

## PRESIDENT AS HOST.

We believe this is the first time in the history of the N. A. D. that the President has been host to the convention. George William Veditz certainly has his hands full these days.

## AN EMPTY TREASURY.

An empty treasury is not a discredit if good work done can be shown. Give use both sides and let us see if the money has not been well spent.

## A CORKER.

We have many inquiries as to who the "Public Good" man is. He is A CORKER. He lives in the United States, not so far from either the Atlantic or Pacific but what he can get thereby travel. Canada or Mexico can reach him by rail or on foot.

## DOES THE SHOE PINCH?

Mr. Axling has threatened Messrs. Hanson, Christenson and Root with court proceedings on account of what they have written or published about him and his candidacy. As these men have acted in absolute good faith in every way, having at heart the best interests of the deaf of this state and in the entire nation, they are not at all alarmed and are not going to be frightened into withdrawing their opposition to a candidate whose election they would regard as unwise and detrimental to the welfare of the association.

Principles are to be regarded more than mere personal considerations. The Observer and its friends stand for principle and will continue to do so regardless of any attempts at intimidation.

## DO NOT BE TOO CONFIDENT.

Although present indications point to the election of Messrs. Hanson, Schröder, Regensberg and Long at Colorado Springs, their friends should not be too confident.

Be present.

Be on the alert.

Work and vote.

This done, a big rooster will surmount our front page after the convention.

## OTHERS ARE GOING.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Reichle, Miss B. Bond and possibly Mrs. Theirman of Portland expect to join the Northwest crowd in the trip to Colorado Springs. These, with the addition of Messrs. Erd and Phelps, make the special car practically an assured fact.

## ACTOR NOT A TALKER.

We understand the Colorado Springs local committee now has a good entertainment fund in hand.—Silent Success.

Who doubted they would have? George William Veditz usually accomplishes what he undertakes. He acts while the kickers are spending their time kicking.

## DOLLARS NOT DOUGHNUTS.

We have a proposition to make. When you go to Colorado take along an extra dollar and hand it to our man and get a receipt for a year's subscription.

We will try in return to give you a full dollar's worth of reading matter pertaining to the deaf.

Our aim is to fill our columns with WHAT WILL BE READ, not with space fillers that you will not read.

The Observer is small, but it contains what you want.

A diamond is small, but it's worth more than a big chunk of coal.

You want us, we want you. Let's make a bargain. We feel a divorce court will never be needed.

## SEND COPY EARLY FOR NEXT ISSUE.

The next issue of The Observer will probably be a day earlier, as both the editor and proprietor may join the crowd Pike's Peak bound.

## WHAT ARE WE GOING FOR?

If the above question were asked of the several hundred who expect to be at Colorado Springs, how many would give the same answer? Probably few.

Some will go to the Springs with blood in their eyes, determined to pull their candidates and plans through at all hazards. Others with no thought of the serious business of the convention.

Both of the above in a sense are wrong. There is a serious business side to be considered, questions which will try our most brilliant minds to settle amicably and wisely, but there is also an abundant of time for pleasure trips, visiting, meeting old and new friends.

Make the most of it, attend to business at the proper time, then when pleasure comes enjoy it to the fullest. Do not let petty squabbles ruin the enjoyment of the gathering.

We expect to learn many new things at this national gathering. There are a whole lot of fellow deaf whom we have never met, but we want to meet and hope in the shadow of Pike's Peak to grasp them by the hand. Then there are our old friends from a distance. What joy to once more see them face to face and talk of happy school days.

We are going to Colorado Springs to work and play, and do our duty every way.

## KICK THE KICKERS.

When you go to Colorado Springs do something for progress and advancement. Don't be a kicker. If you must kick, kick the kickers.

## FIVE WANT TO GET OUT.

We have received information that Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bertram, A. E. Arnot, G. T. Nordhousen and Ross Sleightam have tendered their resignations as members of the Spokane Association. Not being pleased with the action of the Association in the resolutions matters, reference to which is made in Mr. Arnot's letter.

We always believed those resolutions were a great mistake.

We much regret the trouble in the Spokane Association. We know that for best work the Society should be united, yet such snap methods as described by Mr. Arnot can never be approved.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES.

W. S. Root is authorized to receive N. A. D. membership fees from those going from the Northwest. See him on the train en route.





MISS E. A. CARTER,

Teacher in the Chefoo, China, School and One of Her Pupils.

Next issue we shall have an article on this school.

#### "IT TAKES TWO."

A lad of seventeen was telling an older friend, recently, of an experience he had had that day. As the apprentice of a carpenter, he had been sent to a saloon to take the measures for a new counter. It was very cold weather, and he arrived with his teeth fairly chattering in his head, for his coat was thin. The saloon keeper immediately mixed a hot drink and pushed it over the counter to him. "It'll cost you nothing," he said; "drink it down, and you'll soon stop shivering, my boy."

"He meant it kindly, too, and didn't think any harm," said the apprentice, as he told the story. "That's what made it harder to push it back, and I didn't want it."

"It must have been a big temptation," said the friend. "That saloon keeper might have started you on the road to ruin."

"Well," replied the lad, frankly, "I'd rather have had it than some other kinds. You see, it takes two to make a temptation. There's no saloon keep-

er and no cold weather can make me drink when I don't want to. The temptation I'm afraid of is the one that I'm ready for before it comes, by hankering after it. I don't take much credit to myself for refusing that drink; and, if I had taken it, why, I wouldn't have put all the blame on the saloon keeper, as some folks do. It takes two, every time, to make a successful temptation."

It was an honest way to look at the question. Temptation is not all a matter of outward happening, but also of inner readiness. No outsider can be responsible for our sins as we are responsible. "He tempted me" only explains one side of the temptation. The other side—the personal side—we must answer for, and no excuses will save us. "It takes two," and one of the two is always our own responsible self.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

"An inch of time is an inch of gold."

"The only way to prevent people knowing it, is not to do it."

"Don't bite off more than you can chew."

#### A LIE BRANDED.

The editorial in *Silent Success* for July 14 to the effect that in addition to railroad fare it will cost delegates \$5 each per day to attend the convention at Colorado Springs is misleading, and like a number of other statements from the same source in the same paper leaves the impression that it was written with the deliberate purpose of discouraging intending visitors from coming to the convention.

The truth is that those who must economize can get good rooms at 50c per day and meals at 25c each in decent restaurants, making the cost of board and lodging \$1.25 per day, or \$10 for the eight days of the convention. The trip to the Garden of the Gods, the Cave of the Winds, the Cliff Dwellers and Seven Falls, the banquet and membership in the association can all be had for a total of \$5.25. Allow \$1.75 for trolley fares, a liberal estimate, and we have a grand total of \$17 for the eight days, quite a difference from the \$40 the editor of *Silent Success* strives to make it appear.

The attitude of the reverend (?) gentleman who penned the statement referred to, while deplorable, merits censure, and should be stigmatized as a last despairing effort of a disgruntled, disappointed office-seeker and obstructionist consumed by malice and petty envy to bring about the failure of what promises to be the greatest and most successful convention in the history of the American deaf.

GEORGE M. VEDITZ.

Colorado Springs, Col., July 18, 1910.

During the year 1908, Superintendent P. A. Baker reports, fifteen thousand saloons were put out of business and between one hundred and forty and one hundred and fifty breweries were abolished, and the past year saw saloons abolished at the rate of forty a day. Now in the United States there are 41,500,000 people living in prohibition territory.

The Standard, a Baptist publication, says that Helen Keller's book, "The World I Live In," has been adopted by Wellesley College as a text-book in English for freshmen classes. Prof. Wilhelm Stern, director of the Institute of Applied Psychology in Berlin, considers that book one of the two or three greatest contributions to psychology and education in the last hundred years.—Wisconsin Times.

#### SMILE IT DOWN.

Everyone who loves you  
Loves to see you smile,  
Loves to see you cheerful  
And happy all the while.  
Smiling comes so easy!  
Do not wear a frown,  
If you feel one rising,  
Always smile it down.

—The Gentlewoman.

—Before us, even as behind, God is, and all is well.—Whittier.

## EUREKA! WHICH I HAVE FOUND IT.

EDITOR OBSERVER: I am going to shout Eureka, which is the motto of California because Mr. Reggy lives there and found out a good way to raise the money to save the sign-language from destruction.

I have found out how to vote which is the right way which I am going to tell you about it.

I went to my friend who has the big pile of *Observers, Journals, Americans, Successes*, etc., because he never destroys them. He is like the Chinese which I studied about in Peter Parley's *Universal History* that they never destroy any papers because the ghosts of the people which wrote them come to scare them in the nightmares.

If I get anything which was wrote by Rev. Cloud or Boss Spear or Mr. Axling I will be very careful not to destroy them. I will bury them in the same place where I bury the rats which I trap and drown in the corner of my yard. If I destroyed them it would be very awful to see Rev. Cloud's ghost preach to me every night in the nightmare, or I would have to see Mr. Axling's ghost make new Spokane resolutions and new acceptances of a nomination which would be awfuller still, or I would have to see a new plan and thirteen nominations by Boss Spear in the nightmare which would be the awfulest of them all and make me wish I was dead in a bone-yard to have no more nightmares.

But my friend let me take all his papers home with me and I lit my pipe and put on my slippers to read them, because I wanted to find out the best way how to vote for anybody in the N. A. D.

I saw what Rev. Michaels said about President Veditz and Mr. Cook Jake Howard. I read the papers and found that President Veditz was like Teddy who did not want the third term, so I dropped him. I read a good many letters which Mr. Cook Jake Howard wrote them to see if he would be the good president lumber. I found that he only shot off his mouth with the foolishness so I dropped him. Then I hunted up Mr. Axling because Boss Spear said he wore the smile which it wont come off. I tried to find out what he did which was very useful. I raked the papers with the fine tooth comb about him, but I found only the bugs. His sayings which he wrote about the Spokane debate and accepting the nomination and Mr. Hanson's letter gave me the pain because they were not right for the president candidate to write them.

So I dropped Mr. Axling. Then I hunted about Mr. Cloud. I found all the papers were full of a thousand Clouds which he wrote himself to accept a nomination and other things. I also found that he tried to rob me of

the swell time at Colorado Springs because he did not want President Veditz to get \$5,000 from our Uncle Sam. This made me mad. Then I read that he wanted the convention in Minneapolis. This made me awfuller mad because I wanted to see the Pike's Peak and I did not care the pin for Minneapolis which I saw it often before. Then I got disgusted and dropped Rev. Cloud into a garbage can.

Next I hunted up Boss Spear. I did not find anything about him until about one year ago when President Veditz stuck a hatpin behind his pants and he jumped up and said I nominate Olof Hanson for a president. I looked all through the papers after that and found it was the only good and smart thing Boss Spear ever sa'd. I found he wanted to change the N. A. D. laws which he was as ignorant about them because he never read them like Cook Jake. So I dropped Boss Spear where I dropped Rev. Cloud.

Then I read about Mr. Hanson and the papers were full of him and I began to sit up to take the notice of Mr. Olof. I read about Mr. Reggy at the same time. I found they were both birds of the same feather. They always rolled up their pants and spit into their hands to work hard to help the deaf-mutes to be happy. I never saw anywhere that they tried to stop a good plan to help the deaf like Rev. Cloud or Cook Jake.

Then when I read the papers I saw a sentence of these words, we love them for the enemies they have made, and I jumped up and hurrahed Eureka which I wrote in the first line of this letter.

Our enemies do not like Mr. Olof and Mr. Reggy. But I think they like Boss Spear because they know his plan will kill the N. A. D. and they like Rev. Cloud because he will always make the deaf-mutes fight each other, which is different from a holy and pious preacher, and they like Mr. Axling because he is the smiling little gentleman who will never do nothing.

Then I saw the great light to vote. I am going to tell everybody to vote for Mr. Hanson and Mr. Reggy because we love them for the enemies they have made, and I am also fond of Mr. Long, because he is a brave short little man to fight in his papers for us and will be the honest watchdog of the treasury who will not elope to Canada.

I hope that all the people who read this *Observer* will agree with me to say that I am right and vote for the garbage can for Rev. Cloud and Boss Spear and Mr. Axling, but for the President Hanson, Secretary Reggy and Treasurer Long. Respectfully,

FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD.

"Men, not walls, make a city."

"Rotten wood cannot be carved."

## NORTHWEST BREEZELETS.

Hurrah! Goodbye! Away we go Straight away to Colorado! For many a strong and weighty reason We all shall vote for Olof Hanson. We do not go in show and style, But wear his buttons and a smile That's broad and bright and debonaire, For sure he'll win if all goes fair, Tho' we don't fight and loud declaim, We usually get there just the same.

## MR. HODGSON'S SENTIMENTS.

Some criticism on the program of sessions of the National Association of the Deaf have been made, and the Editor of the Journal has been asked to state his position. To this request we cheerfully accede.

In the first place the sole objection seems to be that the numerous "reorganization" plans are not given the greatest prominence.

Just why the National Association of the Deaf should go through the throes of a "reorganization," is a puzzle to this writer.

The National Association of the Deaf is already an incorporated organization, with a good constitution and common-sense by-laws that allow of all kinds of good work and obstruct no effort to promote the general welfare.

We do not think the "reorganization" of the Association was contemplated when the Federation idea was evolved and committees appointed to draw up a working scheme. The main object was to get the full strength of organized effort in the several states exerted simultaneously and harmoniously from the ramparts of the National Association—so that the deaf of the whole country could pull all together for the common good.

We do not believe that many of the deaf who are going to Colorado will tolerate the destructive policy that would annul the present charter and offer but a dubious substitute.

We do not believe that the deaf of this country will pay an annual fee that shall go to a salaried secretary wielding arbitrary and unlimited power, and this is what at least one of the "plans" contemplates.

Shall we give up the time of the convention to an endless debate upon the best way to asphyxiate the present organization, and substitute for it a stuffed baby, or shall we continue as of old to bend our efforts towards enhancing the privileges, progress and prosperity of our deaf brethren everywhere?

Wisdom and common sense warn us that the only safe and sane way is to stick to the program which, whatever its minor defects, outlines some very useful and beneficial sessions.—  
Editorial in Deaf Mute Journal.

"Deep waters run slowly."



Lastly do not forget The Observer man and the dollar.

Mrs. Bessie Garrett now resides on Madrona Heights.

J. B. Bixler has enriched the Moving Picture Fund with three dollars.

David Turrill has taken a job on Eighth avenue. Carpentering is his specialty.

Olof Hanson and A. W. Wright were out in the country last week looking at their farms.

L. T. Rhiley has returned to Seattle from Tacoma and taken a position with the Yakima Sheep Co.

Mrs. Robert Turner and daughter have gone to Yakima, where they will spend some time in the hop fields.

Edmund Langdon took his best girl and a boat ride to Bremerton Sunday. He says he just went to see some real estate he owns there.

Master Orla Little is spending his vacation in The Observer office as a handy man. He takes to printing like a darkey to watermelon.

Miss Mabel Scanlon of Everett was in town last week, calling on friends. Mabel does not know how she can leave Seattle for any length of time.

Alfred Waugh and family have moved to Everett. They have a beautiful home overlooking Puget Sound. They are still near enough to Seattle to come to the doings.

Miss Ethel Carr is now eating, or rather dipping, chocolate drops at the Palace of Sweets on First avenue. If you do not watch out Miss Carr will soon be a permanent resident of Seattle.

George Ecker has opened a boot and shoe repair shop at Elma. We know that George's merry smile, reinforced with good work, will win a whole lot of good customers.

Mrs. A. W. Wright and children, also Mrs. Alex. Wade of Tacoma, will spend next month in a cottage at McClips, on the ocean beach. Mrs. Litherland, of Mabton, will also spend some time at that place.

Our John Adams is not the ex-president, but he is just as proud these days. A new daughter came to his house last week. The two other children are staying with Grandma Harris for a few days.

Alfred Standahl arrived in town Tuesday from Grand Fork, B. C. Like all others who strike Seattle, he has returned to stay. He has been in the employment of King George as a cook in a government settlement.

The machine shop and planing mill at West Seattle belonging to Messrs. Harris & Son was destroyed by fire the other night. An electric wire started the conflagration. Roy says there is about two-thirds insurance. The total loss is about \$2,000.

Ex-Supt. S. T. Walker of Portland is visiting his son-in-law at Plymouth, Mass., for a few months.

Fred Emmons is doing gardening and is very busy, but finds time to send in a dollar for "The Observer."

Miss Bertha Thiessen had a fine trip visiting New York, Detroit, and other places, and is now with her aunt in New Holstein, Wis.

Max Gebhardt now owns a fine team and wagon. His brother has a contract with a coal mine at Centralia and the fuel will be shipped to Seattle and Max does the delivering.

Messrs. Paul Erd of Illinois and Howard Phelps of Missouri were recent callers on Mr. and Mrs. Olof Hanson, also Mr. and Mrs. C. K. McConnell. They are now in Vancouver, Wash., but will return and join the crowd bound for Colorado Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Case of Stanwood, Wash., recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Pierson of Langley, Wash. They made the trip in their launch. They are former pupils of the Flint, Mich., school, having arrived at Stanwood six years ago.

#### GRAND PICNIC.

Of course, your annual picnic will be a grand affair, but to make it of lasting benefit be sure to appoint one of your most active members to take subscribers for The Observer.

At a picnic in another state, July 4th, one of our hustling agents secured 12 new subscribers.

The Observer can be made of use everywhere. It will help to bring the deaf together, to keep up their interest and keep them posted on affairs.

To this end every man and woman who has the interest of the deaf at heart should speak and act for The Observer.

We are not making money out of our venture, but we do believe we are doing good and we ask you to HELP US EXTEND THIS GOOD.

#### SELF-MADE.

No matter how wise and loving a mother may be, she cannot give her daughter the training she needs unless that daughter helps by doing her share of the discipline. The best of teachers fails with the girl who is not willing to act as her own teacher. Helpful friends and favoring circumstance will fall short of making us what we should be, unless they have our co-operation. Each of us must be "self-made," or go incomplete.—Sel.

"A biting dog does not show his teeth."

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#### HAPPY LAWYERS.

The old petrified chestnut political bluff of suing some of your oponents just before election seldom has any other result than to make fees for lawyers.

#### THEY WANT TO KNOW.

Speaking of advertising, why doesn't the N. A. D. do a little of it? Look where you will in the papers for the deaf, you will find little information concerning the association, its aims, objects, rules and regulations for members, amount of fees and dues, and to whom payable, addresses of officers, or, in fact, anything that a prospective member would want to know before parting with his cash or committing himself to affiliation with the association. Yet this matter of membership is one of the most vital points the association should consider.

Advertise!

#### QUERIST.

(We think the N. A. D. should keep a four-inch standing advertisement in The Observer.—Ed.)

In the Alabama School the pupils have a "Farmers' Club." The club has about one and one-half acres of the school ground, which they are permitted to cultivate. We understand that the ground is of a rather poor quality, and so the young farmers have the benefit of learning to fertilize the soil. It seems to be a very good idea, and it certainly must be an interesting experiment, for everybody likes to have a garden and watch it grow—The Eagle (Utah).

## Thompson's Cafe and Bakery

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# A STATEMENT ON THE N. A. D. FEDERATION MATTER.

There has been considerable criticism of the failure of the Committee on Federation to publish its report. Much of this criticism has been gratuitous and given merely for the sake of criticism by persons who have never been connected with the Association in any other role than that of carpers and faultfinders.

Whatever sins of omission the Committee may be thought guilty of should be laid on my shoulders. That the report has not been published is no one's fault but mine.

As long ago as the winter of 1907-1908 I endeavored to get each member of the Committee to submit his idea of the best form of federation.

I then had the time to take up the matter.

Several of the Committee never responded to repeated appeals. Others pleaded stress of business and assured me that whatever plan had my approval would have theirs. Messrs. Fox, Smith, Allabough, Stewart, Hughes, Regensburg and Axling each submitted plans, and each of them proceeded on the basis of a union of state association with varying degrees of latitude.

There were intervals of more or less duration between the receipt of these reports. My endeavor was to get a full quota, but more than a year passed. Other work connected with the N. A. D. crowded in and I was unable to compile the symposium I had in mind. Still other work, I regret to say, must leave my hands unfinished, for instance the symposium of the correspondence with the superintendents. The Association is too poor to allow me the use of a stenographer, and I can not afford this additional expense out of my own pocket.

It should not be forgotten that the Norfolk Convention made it mandatory that the federation report there submitted should form the foundation on which the Committee was to build.

This report endeavored to carry out the instructions explicitly given at the Convention of Philadelphia, St. Paul and St. Louis.

It was framed by myself in May, 1907, and was the first attempt to give concrete form to these instructions and to the federation idea.

Not one iota did I depart from the license and instructions thus conveyed. I faithfully endeavored to carry out the expressed will of the Association.

The deaf mute reading public knows pretty well by this time what the several "plans" submitted embody. The "Veditz plan"—the parent plan submitted to the Association at Norfolk—is an out and out federation of STATE ASSOCIATIONS. The "Til-

den plan" submitted nearly a year later is likewise a true federation of any and all organizations of the deaf. The "Hanson plan" endeavors to let in individuals and associations. The "Spear plan" is an authorized attempt to amend the whole existing constitution and by-laws on the basis of individual membership.

The first thing for the Association to decide in this matter is whether it wants federation or not. This disposed of, the details can readily be determined by discussion.

I shall call a meeting of the Committee during some early lull in the business of the Convention. In this connection I regret to state that Mr. Axling recently withdrew his original report and substituted Mr. Spear's plan of reorganization, which has no claim whatever for consideration by this Committee. Under the circumstances I further regret to state that Mr. Axling's resignation from the Committee will be acceptable.

In the meantime I shall ask Mr. Hodgson as a courtesy to the Association and to his readers to reprint the Norfolk Federation Report in the Journal.

Respectfully,

GEORGE WM. VEDITZ, Pres.  
Chairman of the Committee.  
Colorado Springs, July 15, 1910.

## MR. VEDITZ NOT A CANDIDATE.

Friends from all sections of the country have urged me to run for a third term as President of the N. A. D.

While I gratefully appreciate the confidence and good-will thus conveyed, I must make again, positively and without any ifs or strings tied to it, the statement I have several times made before, that I can not consent to be a candidate either for the Presidency or any other office, elective or appointive, in the N. A. D.

Loyalty to the pledge I made publicly and voluntarily to Mr. Hanson, and which I have never at any time been tempted to withdraw, forbids it; my determination to retire absolutely and permanently from deaf-mute public life forbids it; my business interests forbid it.

I believe that as President of the

Association during the past six years I have been in a position to judge of the qualifications of the workers—and also of the carpers and shirkers and obstructionists—in and out of the Association better, probably, than anyone else. I can therefore unhesitatingly endorse Mr. Hanson as my successor, and for the other two working offices, the secretaryship and treasurer'ship, Messrs. Regensburg and Long.

If entrusted to them the affairs of the Association will be in safe and capable hands, and I beg my friends who in the past have shown confidence in my disinterested judgment to support these three gentlemen. I fear the deaf do not correctly appreciate what it means to secure the services of mind and heart of such men, and which is freely tendered without money and without price.

I also take this means to thank those who have given myself and my administration their loyal support in the past. I am profoundly grateful.

There have been "others" and I regret their opposition no less profoundly. The deaf have too much prejudice, too many misconceptions to contend with in the ordinary walks of life that they should be further hampered by obstructionists within their own ranks.

Honest difference of opinion is healthy, but in a city or fortress besieged by a determined and relentless foe, there should be no division. All should watch and pray, work and fight and die together. Traitors who would open the gates should be hung on the next gibbet or thrown to the enemy outside the walls.

For my successor and his helpers I beg the UNITED support of the Association. Only thus can success be won.

This appeal is made to the American deaf, for the N. A. D. in a broader sense stands for and has become the property of the whole class whether they have paid their membership dues or not.

GEORGE WM. VEDITZ.

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## SPOKANE.

The writer regrets that no Spokane news has appeared in The Observer lately. I am glad to send in items.

The Spokane association gave two social entertainments and a picnic July 2 to 4. The social party was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. O'Leary Saturday night. Ice cream and delightful refreshments were served. Various games were played. On Sunday afternoon an entertainment was held at the home of P. L. Axling. Considerable N. A. D. convention talk was indulged in. The most of those present favored Mr. Axling for president. Mr. Axling remarked that if elected he would telegraph to the Spokane newspapers at once.

On July 4th the picnic was given at Liberty Lake, 18 miles east of Spokane on the Inland Empire electric road. A good big lunch was served. After lunch games for prizes were indulged in. The writer failed to locate Mr. Curl, sporting chairman, so has not the list of prize-winners. After the games many donned bathing suits and enjoyed pranks in the water. Others took boat rides. Frank Bjorkquist photographed the group. About 50 deaf mutes attended. They were Frank Bjorkquist of Vancouver, Miss Nellie Peck, Miss Houstella, sister and mother of Colville, Wash.; Miss Courtway of Wenatchee, Miss Laura Meadows of Harrison, Idaho; Miss Lura Hughes of Santo, Idaho; Miss Jessie Livingston of Belmont, Miss Hattie Hall of Cheney, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fulmer of Mead, Kenneth William of Greenease, Frank Garrison of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Mr. Adams of Moscow, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. John Tower and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Axling and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bannister, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. B. Bergh and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. O'Leary and son, Mrs. Barney and daughter, Mrs. Susie Smith, Miss Elmyra Ford, Miss Cleon Morris, Miss Amonla Bergerson, Miss Ethel Hoganson and parents, Miss Brown and parents, Mr. Barney, Edwin Whipple, David Krause, Frank Masopust, Herney Ott, Mr. Curl, Mr. Wood, Courtland Greenwault, John Frisby, John Smith and others, all of Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. John Toner and family moved across the block to 522 S. Sheridan street three weeks ago. They say they are satisfied with their new home. They have three deaf young lady boarders.

Misses E. Ford, Laura Meadows, Courtway and Mrs. Susie Smith are employed in the Inland Empire Candy and Cracker factory.

Miss Cleon Morris is enjoying Spokane life. She has a good position in a dressmaking store.

Miss Laura Hughes of Santa, Idaho, is still visiting relatives and friends in this city.

A. E. Arnot thoroughly enjoyed the doings at Seattle July 2 to 4. The Puget Sound people all used him well.

Frank Garrison got a job at Mead brickyard last week. Mr. F. Fulmer is still employed in the same place.

J. C. Bertram and wife have sold their Spokane residence and are now members of the progressive Puget Sound colony, being located at Tacoma.

Courtland Greenwalt is working in a hand laundry as marker.

A. E. Arnot has gone to Asotin, Wash. He will go to the west part of the state in the fall to reside.

If you want The Observer, pay up; if not, order it stopped.

TOM.

## VANCOUVER, WASH.

Since my last letter the school has closed. Every one knows what that means—the school is practically deserted, and only the activity of the birds in building nests in the favorite nooks give evidence that the building is inhabited. Every one is off for that long and needed vacation, taking a glimpse of the outer world and making plans for next term.

Mrs. W. S. Hunter will depart shortly for San Francisco on a visit to her mother. She will return in the fall to resume her duties at the school.

Messrs. Divine and Hunter have abandoned their intention of going to the N. A. D. convention. The former will be too busy on his farm to make the trip and the latter is going to the mountains and will be too far away from civilization to hear the guns boom in Colorado.

Mrs. Ella Reeves is now in Spokane visiting her parents. This makes Mr. Reeves a grass widower again. However, he can't get lonesome as he has lots of chickens and a cow to attend to on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Schneider have rented a cozy five-room cottage in Portland and will spend the summer there. Mr. Schneider is still on the fence as to honoring the N. A. D. convention with his presence.

A few days ago Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Schneider and Miss Hamilton patronized the big skating rink in the exposition building in Portland. During the process of the sport Mr. Schneider's feet suddenly went up in the air and he sat down so hard that he made a dent in the floor. Shortly afterwards this building went up in smoke. The doom of the building may have been sounded with Mr. Schneider's fall, for who knows but one of the sparks made when he came in contact with the floor set fire to the woodwork.

Messrs. Paul Erd of Illinois and

Howe Phelps of Missouri, both classmates of Mr. Hunter at Gallaudet, are spending a few days with him. These gentlemen attended the Jeffries-Johnson fight at Reno and are taking in San Francisco, Seattle and Portland on the trip. Mr. Phelps intends to make his home in the Northwest shortly.

Vancouver is only a small city, but yet she can boast of having a population of 28 bonafide deaf residents.

(That means The Observer should have at least 15 subscribers there.—Ed.)

Miss Bertha Hamilton, a teacher in the Michigan school, a former school-mate of both Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, spent the greater part of June and July with them. She is visiting all the important places on the Coast and will be in Colorado Springs during convention time.

The deaf had a gay time here on the 4th. Vancouver had the biggest celebration in years, and some 50,000 people came over from Portland to witness it. The motor boat and yacht races on the Columbia river proved to be the most attracting feature of the day, and the deaf mingled among the crowds along the wharf to watch the thrilling events.

Mr. Wm. Marshall, who has been teaching in our school for the past 15 years, has resigned his position to run for auditor of Clarke county this fall. He is now busy stamping the county and preparing for election day. We hope his ambition will be realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and Miss Hamilton, all old Michiganders, recently spent a week in the mountains. They pitched their tent on the bank of the Washougal river about thirty miles east of Vancouver, and had a most pleasant time fishing and observing wonders of Mother Nature. They returned with their skins tanned, but in fine spirits and looking every bit a picture of health. The camp was left in charge of a gentleman for future use. The party will return to the camp in a few days for a long stay.

Keep sweet—a whole sermon in two words.

### PUGET SOUND ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

Meets the first Sunday of each month at 3 p. m., Chamber of Commerce room, Central building, Third avenue, between Marion and Columbia street, Seattle. You are welcome. A. W. Wright, president; W. S. Root, secretary. Information Bureau at The Observer Office, 2 Kin-near block, 1426 Fourth avenue.

## PORTLAND, OREGON.

Hot weather! how does it agree with you?

Arthur Stalker, accompanied by his parents, left on the 5th inst. on a visit to St. Paul, Chicago and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schneider have taken up a furnished cottage at 384 Failing street for the summer.

Chas. Hammond of Tacoma spent a week among his friends here. He thinks Portland all right.

George Schmidt slipped out for Seattle to spend the Fourth. Wonder what attracted him there!

W. W. Redman had the misfortune to sprain his ankle on the Fourth.

Mrs. J. O. Reichle made a flying trip to McMinnville on the 27th to see her brother's wife, who was quite sick with bloodpoisoning, the result of the prick of a rose thorn.

Miss Susie Dickson of Spokane stopped in the city a few days on her way home from Salem, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Reichle. One evening a few friends of hers gave her a surprise by trooping in in a body. Nabisco and lemonade were served.

Guy Raser of Los Angeles, who was recently married, has the congratulations of his Portland friends.

The meeting of the P. D. M. Society scheduled for July 2nd at the City Park brought quite an attendance. Rudy Spieler gave some important items of news and Mrs. Reichle useful information. Some of the members who were to take part were not present, so little was done. Mr. Van Emon, who expects to be absent from the city, tendered his resignation as secretary. While we regret his absence, our best wishes go with him for good success.

President Reichle reported that the next meeting would be suspended till the first Saturday in Sept. on account of most of the officers expecting to be out of town. After the adjournment of the meeting half an hour was spent in story-telling.

Sunday morning, the 3rd, the regular services were held at the church of the strangers, where an interesting sermon was given on Patriotism. In the evening about fifty deaf-mutes gathered at the Y. M. C. A. to hear a lecture on Temperance given by Mr. Frank Folsom of Newberg, which was applauded. Mr. Folsom has been asked to come down to give a lecture every first Sunday.

The annual Fourth of July picnic was held at the Holliday Park, the program being under the management of Wayne Thierman, chairman; Bud Hastings, Mrs. Gromachy and Ruth Thomas. At noon the program was opened with a brief speech of welcome by J. O. Reichle. W. F. Schneider gave an address concerning the Liberty Bell and Frank Folsom talked

on Independence, which was followed by Grace Kau of Buena Vista, who recited "America." A bountiful lunch was served. Various games and races were had in the afternoon and prizes were awarded.

The crowd was a record-breaker between 70 and 75 being present. A snapshot photo was taken by W. F. Schneider, after which a contribution was made for the order of ice cream. Every one scattered for home at about 8 p. m., having had a thoroughly enjoyable time, one not to be soon forgotten.

## OREGONIAN.

## FROM SOUTH DAKOTA

Today having more time than money to burn, I have decided to write The Observer one more letter before turning my nose towards Pike's Peak. I feel safe in saying that our state will be on deck with an even dozen, and perhaps more.

I note there are several in different parts of your Uncle Sam's barnyard still busy with their little hammers. You can hear their knock, knock, knock out here in the sunshine state, where they can all knockers before they "shed their pins." Cut it out! boys and girls, cut it out! We don't need it in our biz. Boost, don't knock. Pack your suitcase. Get your razor, not for a fight, but to keep clean with, and you girls get your glad rags and powder puff and let us all sing in chorus, Pike's Peak and Federation. "Bust or no bust." Let us trust that all will come out well, that the committees have done their duty, and say, you fellows that are raising the most dust have not paid in your dollar yet. Pay your dues and let us get all the money into the "pot" we can. Money talks.

And now a fellow asked us a few days ago: "Who are you going to vote for?" Well, I will tell you. I will vote for every independent man that will stand by Federation, and I know 100 others that will do the same.

## NOTES.

South Dakota was late in sending in something to help out the Mills School for the Deaf in China. However, we have a neat little sum, due to the efforts of the girls' C. E. Society of the South Dakota school, led by that good little worker, Marie Johnson. The sum will be announced in a short time.

Wednesday, June 22, was a bad day for the deaf in this neck of the woods. In the morning Mrs. Simpson, one of our teachers, lost a check on the streets. It was for about 50 bucks. In the evening Ed. S. Cleveland, while rubbering around the circus tents of the Hagenbeck-Wallace shows, was held up by five "gentlemen of color" and relieved of \$17.50, a watch and

his coat. His coat contained a bottle of Pink Pills for Pale people, and his watch a photo of his lady love. If those pills turn the five coons pale it will be their undoing. The following Sunday the writer received a letter from the mother of Leona Kribell, of Beresford, stating that on the same Wednesday Leona had broken a leg in jumping from a buggy. She is a bright little lady, and one of our pupils.

Eva Towles, a former pupil of this state school, died recently at her home in Minnesota. She was a most beautiful and good child, and was always in good health.

We clip the following from a paper on our exchange list:

Dr. E. J. Kaufman and family, his sister Mary Kaufman and sister-in-law Lizzie Graber, from near Freeman, attended the graduating exercises at the Deaf School at Sioux Falls, where John Kaufman, a brother to Dr. Kaufman, was one of the graduates. John is an expert club swinger and is offered \$30 per week to go with some show, but has not accepted the offer yet.

John made good on the stage here in Sioux Falls during May. He appeared seven nights in the Onet's moving picture house in an electric club act, and got the glad hand every night and a neat sum of money the last night. He will start on the road in September.

The Virginia Guide advises the deaf to marry the deaf, if they marry at all, and says that there are two deaf men in the State Hospital for the insane at Staunton, Va., who were driven insane by their troubles consequent upon marrying hearing women. The Guide, however, discourages the intermarriage of the congenitally deaf, because the offspring of such unions are almost sure to be deaf like the parents. In giving this advice the Guide is at one with about all educators of the deaf.—Silent Worker.

I look on that man as happy who, when there is a question of success, looks into his work for a reply, not into the market.—Emerson.

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